





## Local News

W. B. TOWNSEND, Business Manager.

A cross mark on the margin of your paper denotes that your time has expired, and if you are in arrears you are requested to pay up and renew your subscription immediately.

Read new advertisements.

Another heavy rain last Sabbath.

Next Monday court opens at this place.

Dahlonega is soon to have another barber shop.

Quarterly meeting closed at this place on last Sunday night.

Col. N. H. Hand arrived in Dahlonega on Monday evening last.

The immortal sewing machine agent visited our town this week.

M. G. Boyd, of Cleveland, Ga., dropped in to see us Monday morning.

Printed college letter heads and envelopes for sale cheap at H. D. GURLEY & BRO.

A beautiful pet deer, the property of Col. Lewis, is occasionally seen upon our street.

Flour is still on the rise, with no intention of coming down within the reach of poor people soon.

Our merchants are bustling about right lively in anticipation of a good run of business next week.

Mr. W. H. Cook is making several improvements upon his dwelling house, which, when completed, will give it an extra "set-off."

A considerable amount of sickness, mostly from colds, is reported in this vicinity. We are glad to say that no deaths have occurred yet.

Our farming friends bring us cheering news of the wheat crop in their immediate vicinity. A good yield throughout the entire county is confidently expected.

Boley Cannon, who has been confined in the jail at Gainesville, for some time past, was acquitted at the Superior Court which convened in that county last week.

"Lo, the poor Indian" has again been heard from. This time he was in Gordons, county making his way to Little Rock, Ark., to look after, as he says, a valuable farm belonging to him that section.

Tuesday being the regular monthly meeting day of the Free Masons and salo day too, our streets presented quite an active appearance. A good deal of business was transacted in the Justice's court, also.

As spring goods are coming in so rapidly the ladies can early begin their spring shopping. We dropped into several stores and found the counters literally strewed with the latest fashions of ladies' dress-goods.

For quantity, quality, variety and cheapness, Sittow & Bro's stock of candies, nuts, &c., is unrivaled. All the little folks who have a "sweet tooth" would be delighted and astonished to examine and price their stock.

We take pleasure in directing the attention of the public to the advertisement of Smith & Jenkins, Gainesville, Ga. It will be seen that extraordinary inducements are offered to the purchaser to buy goods of any description of them.

Printed letter heads of every description, on the best of paper from ten to twenty-five cents per quire. Envelopes in an endless variety, both large and small, ready printed in the most artistic manner, from ten to fifteen cents per pack.

Sheriff Satterfield arrested on day last week, Benjamin Forrest, who is charged with procuring goods under false pretenses. Forrest promptly gave the necessary bond for his appearance at the approaching term of the Superior Court at this place.

Many of our farmers and gardeners are complaining of the scarcity of seed potatoes—both sweet and Irish. In fact, there is none to be had. With this exception, nearly all garden seeds have been planted, and the prospects for a bountiful yield of vegetables are very promising.

Col. Boyd will address the citizens in the Court House, at this place, on Tuesday next, at recess of Court for dinner, on the Constitutional Convention, by request. All are invited.

John B. Thomas, Esq., is actively at work about three and a half miles from town, in Crumby's District, putting up a government still, where he has purchased a beautiful building site upon which to erect his store-house, &c. As the business will be run "according to Hoyle" it will doubtless damage the heretofore lucrative trade of blockaders.

We regret to see that the Court House presents a very dilapidated appearance. It has been sadly neglected by the proper authorities, whenever they are—the County Commissioners we suppose. When at the expense of a few dollars the much needed repairs could have been made. It is now too late to remedy the matter, as Court opens next Monday.

Porter Springs Stereoscopes.

The Atlanta Constitution says that the proprietor of Porter Springs has employed Mr. I. L. Schaub, landscape photographer, of this city, to go to that popular watering place this next week and take stereoscopic views of the great mountain scenery around the springs. He will be in the mountains about two weeks.

As we removed Mr. J. M. Harris, Esq., from Porter Spring in our last issue, we will now make the amende honorable by moving him back. Notwithstanding the fact that he has purchased the valuable property referred to in our local last week, he will still remain at the Springs. He was out nothing, however, by the move, only a waste of time and paper on the part of the particular.

We are glad to see that some interest is being manifested among the good people of Dahlonega towards the proper celebration of the approaching 26th. It would be well if the entire community would possess itself of the spirit exhibited by our friend, "A. C. G." whose timely suggestions will be found in another column, and fan again to life the slumbering spark of patriotism and arouse the oft-time love and admiration for the sleeping heroes who so gallantly sacrificed their life's blood upon their country's altar.

### A Painful Accident

Tuesday evening last a young gentleman, a student of the College, sustained a very painful wound in his left hand by the discharge of a pistol with which he was toying. It seems that the young man was not aware that the weapon was loaded, as he had, only a moment before, levelled it at the head of a roommate, whom he was told to lower it, as it was loaded. To convince him of his mistake the young man placed the muzzle of the pistol to the palm of his hand and pulled the trigger with the above stated result.

We would ask our readers, and especially the business men, to read carefully our prospectus which appears on the fourth page of this issue and note the valuable additions recently made to our already well supplied office in the way of job printing material, consisting of stationery of every description, curved rules for fancy and other work, a splendid job printing treadle press, and numerous other things which go to make up a first-class job office. One of the leading features of our business is the extremely low prices. Send in your orders and we will supply you in a very prompt manner.

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### Mining News

The recent pleasant weather has inspired new activity to the gold mines of this vicinity. We are informed by the President of the Gold Mining Company, that the new stamp mill to be built on the old celebrated gold lot 102, will now be pushed vigorously to completion, and that they will enlarge and thoroughly repair the present stamp mill, increasing its capacity at least fifty per cent. The yield from the mills was much better last week and it is believed it will still improve as the weather gets better.

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"Sold."

We were hurriedly summoned (Sunday as it was) from the bedside of the suffering early last Sabbath morning to see a gentleman who was said to be waiting impatiently at our office to be seen on an important business. In answer to the call we buttoned up our coat and plunged huncloately through the pelting rain out into the street on our way to the office. Arriving there, though roughed up with water, we began to look around for our caller, but finding no one in waiting the truth gradually dawned upon us, and after a mom's reflection we remembered that it was the first day of April. We said not a word but wading up dripping coat tail an extra wrench, mechanically we led out the back door and made our way home, through a back track, a wetter and wiser man.

SMITH & JENKINS,  
New Dept., Gainesville, Ga.

P. S. We are sole agents for the Cel-Brat'd J. D. C. Carville & Co.'s Mounted and Driven Horse Powers, in the counties of Jackson, Hall, Union, Lumpkin, Dawson, and White. Add us as for catalogues giving prices and terms. S. & J.

### Council Proceedings.

DALHONEGA, April 3, '77.

At a regular meeting of the Town Council of Dahlonega, held this evening, Present: His Honor, J. C. Brittain Intendant, and Councilmen, Beck, Thomas and Sitten.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

On motion Councilmen Beck and Sitten were authorized to purchase the pump and hose belonging to the N. G. A. College and have it put in the well on the N. E. side of the Court House.

An application from Lieut. Gerard for permission to put up a target for the students to practice shooting, which was granted.

A bill for \$8.30 in favor of C. Moore for hauling cholent chutes, was referred to a special committee by E. H. Beck and Deputy Marshal Strong.

A bill in favor of Sitten & Bro., for \$18.10 was ordered paid.

On motion the Marshal was instructed to collect up the balance of tax due Council both on property and street at once.

Council adjourned.

P. M. Stronk, J. C. BRITTAINE, Clerk. Intendant.

Gov. Colquitt has offered a reward of \$300 each for the capture and delivery of the disguised men who lynched Ed. Wells, the murderer in Waynesboro on the 26th ult.

### FALSE IMPRESSION.

It is generally supposed by a certain class of citizens, who are not practical or experienced, that dyspepsia can only variably be cured, and that the best plan is to say that Green's Almond Pill cures it, to our knowledge, failed to cure 17 cases of dyspepsia and Liver Complaint in its forms, such as sour stomach, costiveness, sick headache, palpitation of the heart, low spirits, &c., &c. Out of 30,000 dozen bottles sold last year, not a single failure was reported, but thousands of compliments of users received from Druggists of various cities, where does a will relieve any case. Try it. Sample bottles 10 cents. Regular size 75 cents. For sale by J. W. & W. A. Brinsford.

The statement made in the columns of the Signal some weeks ago to the effect that a church was in course of erection and rapidly nearing completion at Yaholah Law Ground, was after premature. It seems that our informant was misinformed.

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Letters of attorney, for legal services, \$2.00  
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A cross mark on the margin of your paper denotes that your time has expired, and if you are in arrears you are requested to pay up and renew your subscription immediately.

The "sticking fast" man was in town this week.

We had a "good run" of new subscribers this week.

Horse swapping was indulged in pretty freely this week.

Col. Moore was presented with another chubby-faced "baby" one day last week.

We keep constantly on hand at this office waiver notes for sale cheap for the cash.

Jas. R. Lawhorn, Ordinary elect, was sworn in by Judge Lester on Tuesday at 12 o'clock.

Many strangers visited our town the present week, and our boarding house keepers have been doing a great business.

The public roads, we predict, in this neighborhood will, after the passing away of the rainy season, be left in a miserable condition.

Our fire company would doubtless have rendered valuable assistance, had the fire on Sunday evening last reached a fatal culmination in a horn.

We are requested to state that Meader's Express Office has been removed to his new dwelling house, situated on the block back of his former residence.

District Attorney Farrow will, says the Atlanta Constitution, summer at his delightful home in Lumpkin county, at Porter Spring—the choicest spot in all North Georgia.

This is the identical scene for the gallant young knights of the town to gather their sweet hearts, dinner baskets and bat-boxes, and have a delightful time generally on the creek banks.

We learn from citizens attending Court this week, living in the upper edge of this county, that the wheat crop in that section is unusually large, and the finest grown for many seasons past.

Col. H. P. Farrow was in town this week en route for Porter Spring, where he intends to live up things, set his splendid hotel in trim ready for the reception of summer visitors to that popular resort the incoming season.

Our "soldier boys" should turn out in full uniform on the 26th inst., and "contribute their mite" towards the proper celebration of that day. They should, and we hope will, do so, as the complete success of the occasion, lies in a great measure with them.

On Tuesday about noon we noticed James Gaston ride into town astride of a bareback horse, and upon inquiry why "this was thus," learned that the animal, in coming down a steep hill between this place and Beardens' Bridge, made a misstep and fell, overturning the buggy and smashing up things considerably.

Goliath Riley, who has been confined in the county jail at Dawsonville, upon the charge of assault with intent to murder, for two or three days, was brought under arrest to this place by order of the Court, (now in session) on Tuesday last, to be tried before His Honor, Judge Geo. N. Lester, for some violation of the law in this country.

Admitted to the Bar.

Our talented young friends, Mr. R. H. Baker and Geo. B. Neal, who have been reading law for some time past in this place, were after a thorough and rigid examination by a committee of experienced lawyers on Tuesday evening last, admitted to the bar on Wednesday morning, his Honor, Judge Geo. N. Lester, delivering a timely and learned lecture to the young gentlemen. They passed very creditable examination. Mr. Baker being especially complimented by the examining board for the readiness and correctness of his answer on several intricate points of law. Both of these young gentlemen give bright promise of a useful future.

## CHILD MURDER!

A Newly-Born Babe Found With its Throat Cut, Under a "Water-Escape" of the Yahoolla Ditch.

Early on Thursday morning last a wild rumor was flying from mouth to mouth along the crowded streets of Dahlonega, to the effect that a newly-born negro babe had been found with its throat cut from ear to ear, lying immediately under a "water-escape" of the Yahoolla Ditch.

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District Attorney Farrow will, says the Atlanta Constitution, summer at his delightful home in Lumpkin county, at Porter Spring—the choicest spot in all North Georgia.

This is the identical scene for the gallant young knights of the town to gather their sweet hearts, dinner baskets and bat-boxes, and have a delightful time generally on the creek banks.

We learn from citizens attending Court this week, living in the upper edge of this county, that the wheat crop in that section is unusually large, and the finest grown for many seasons past.

Col. H. P. Farrow was in town this week en route for Porter Spring, where he intends to live up things, set his splendid hotel in trim ready for the reception of summer visitors to that popular resort the incoming season.

Our "soldier boys" should turn out in full uniform on the 26th inst., and "contribute their mite" towards the proper celebration of that day. They should, and we hope will, do so, as the complete success of the occasion, lies in a great measure with them.

On Tuesday about noon we noticed James Gaston ride into town astride of a bareback horse, and upon inquiry why "this was thus," learned that the animal, in coming down a steep hill between this place and Beardens' Bridge, made a misstep and fell, overturning the buggy and smashing up things considerably.

Goliath Riley, who has been confined in the county jail at Dawsonville, upon the charge of assault with intent to murder, for two or three days, was brought under arrest to this place by order of the Court, (now in session) on Tuesday last, to be tried before His Honor, Judge Geo. N. Lester, for some violation of the law in this country.

Admitted to the Bar.

Our talented young friends, Mr. R. H. Baker and Geo. B. Neal, who have been reading law for some time past in this place, were after a thorough and rigid examination by a committee of experienced lawyers on Tuesday evening last, admitted to the bar on Wednesday morning, his Honor, Judge Geo. N. Lester, delivering a timely and learned lecture to the young gentlemen. They passed very creditable examination. Mr. Baker being especially complimented by the examining board for the readiness and correctness of his answer on several intricate points of law. Both of these young gentlemen give bright promise of a useful future.

During the examination of the two young law applicants Tuesday evening last, one of them was asked how long the President of the United States was elected for—the Presidential term. The prompt answer was "eight years!" which gave rise to a considerable discussion between the two learned examiners, as to the correctness of the answer. They finally agreed to count the question out, which they accordingly did, and the examination was resumed.

Strong indications of rain, as we go to press.

Our public wells, or at least one of them, will soon be in working order. As was seen by last week's Council proceedings, Councilmen Sitton and Beck were appointed as a committee to procure a pump, to be placed in one of the wells. The appointment of these two gentlemen is a guarantee that it will be a "quick job."

During the storm on Sunday last the dwelling house of Mr. Ambrose Jenkins, living in the outskirts of the village, was struck by lightning, which made its way down a stove pipe into the family sitting room, greatly shocking the inmates. A little boy and a young lady were prostrated upon the floor by the electric visitant. We are glad to say the injuries, if any, sustained are very slight. No damage was done to the building.

## Special Notice.

We have just received the following named garden seeds at this office which we offer for sale cheap: Large Flat Dutch Cabbage, Premium Flat Dutch Cabbage, Early Minnesota Corn, Early White Dutch Turnips, Early Yellow Dutch Turnips, White Swede Turnips, Large Cheeze Pumpkins, Chinese Rose Winter Radish, Large Bell Pepper, Large Yellow Six Weeks Beans, Large Late Drumhead Cabbage, Wax or Butter Beans, White Kidney or Royal Dwarf Beans and Large White Lima Beans.

Our Business Manager conud on Monday morning last that he must have a new pair of shoes, so shuffling off down to Woodward's Tannery. Tom Rice immediately set about taking his measure, which he finally succeeded in doing after splicing patterns and sewing a couple of calf skins together, and was told by Tom that his said would be ready in a short while. Our clever friend, and prince of tanners, Mr. Burtz, showed him around through the department over which he so efficiently presided, to the satisfaction of his employer, Capt. Woodward, and patrons. He exhibited as a specimen of his work some of the finest finished leather ever seen in Dahlonega, and which would compare favorably with any Northern leather. We were told recently while stopping over in the city of Gainesville, by one of the leading business men of the place, that Capt. Woodward was building up quite a trade in that city, and that his leather was in good demand.

Parks is the popular young traveling agent of the Atlanta Constitution, gave us a pleasant call on last Wednesday morning. Mr. S. informs us that he is gathering the facts preparatory to writing the history of that portion of the Cherokee tribe of Indians which inhabited this particular section of country, and their descendants, some of whom are still living in the county. His book, when finished, will no doubt be a valuable work, and we wish Mr. Parks success in the enterprise.

We had a pleasant call from Mr. Coffey, of Gordon county, Monday evening last.

DIED—Mrs. Walker, wife of Mr. Wm. Walker, on the 8th inst., in childbirth.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

As per announcement Col. Wier Boyd addressed the citizens at noon Tuesday, in the Court House. He was listened to by an immense crowd. The Colonel dwelt on considerable length upon the Constitutional Convention. After haranguing for some time upon the subject, and just before taking his seat he announced the following tones that he was for "No Convention." Whereupon a speechless, wooley-headed Fifteenth Amendment audibly muttered, "Dat's me! Dat's me!" which was greeted with a peal of laughter and the crowd dispersed.

Col. W. P. Price also, addressed the people upon the general issues of the day, on Thursday at noon, and the act of the late session of the General Assembly, &c. He gave an account of his stewardship as a member of that body, and clearly defined his position with regard to the calling of a Constitutional Convention. He also, too had noon, in a brief manner, the College at this place, the donation, &c., therefore, Just at this point he was interrupted by the entrance of the Judge, and thanking the audience for their kind attention he vacated the stand mid a storm of applause.

Strong indications of rain, as we go to press.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

A CARD.

Tell who are suffering from the errors

and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness,

early loss, decay of manhood, etc. I

wish to inform that I can cure you

of CHARGE.

It was discovered by a missionary in

South America. Sent a self-dressed envelope to the Rev. Joseph T. Leman

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## Signal & Advertiser

W. P. HOWELL, Editor.  
DAHLONEGA, GA., APRIL 27, 1877.

### Announcement.

The friends of Col. Wier Boyd announce him a candidate for one of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention subject to the control of his friends hereafter in the 32d Senatorial District, if a Convention is called.

Hon. John A. Rawson, member of Congress from Iowa, has been appointed Minister to Spain.

Up to date \$13,000 have been paid into the Treasury of North Carolina as license tax by the manufacturers of fertilizers doing business in that State.

Secretary Sherman has taken hold of the whisky ring, and the pending applications for release from civil suits in several parts of the west having been called to his attention he has refused them and has ordered the prosecutions to proceed in all cases.

A bill has been passed by the Legislature of Tennessee to reduce the salary of the Governor from \$4,000 to \$3,000; Supreme Court Judges from \$4,000 to \$3,000; Judges of the Inferior Courts and all special Juices from \$2,500 to \$2,000. The bill, after it receives the promised signature of the Governor, goes into effect after the next general county election.

A Kansas writer to the Philadelphia Inquirer writes that the grasshopper's eggs have apparently not yet hatched out to any important extent. The indications are that immense quantities of eggs were deposited last season, and these are still in the ground, in Southeastern Kansas at all events, awaiting the advent of warm weather to develop in to destructive hordes of "hoppers."

The Pittsfield Sun says "The Selectmen of Lee (Massachusetts) offer \$50 reward for the person who fired the African Church in that town!" Think of such an accomplishment as that breaking out in the centre of the old Bay State, and think of the Massachusetts Methodist Conference passing it over in silence to horrify over the mured-rev. W. H. Scott in South Carolina. "Gentlemen, tote fair."

The statistics of the wheat crop of the United States from the Agricultural Bureau shows on the whole a good prospect for the agricultural, which, taken in connection with the events which have culminated in a gigantic war in Europe, will add to the material prosperity of this country. Our farmers who have gone forth sowing their precious seed, even in despondency and doubt, will doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them at the harvest time.

When we consider the amount of intoxicating liquor made and sold in the United States, it is hardly a wonder that so many are complaining of hard times. The sale of spirits for the year 1876, amounted to over seven hundred millions of dollars. Enough to pay the national debt in three years. As most of this has been drank, it has been an unnecessary tax on the people to just that amount. The money paid for spirituous liquors in the United States since 1860, or in the last sixteen years, amounts to \$9,600,000,000, or more than four times the national debt.

A negro man named Charles Crewel was drowned on the east side of the river about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. Near the bank of the river, just above East Macon, there is a levee which was built to protect that part of the city from being flooded in time of freshet. Near this levee a deep ravine has been formed which is generally filled with water. Across this ravine a log is placed for the convenience of the people who live on that side of the river. Crewel was crossing this log when his foot slipped and he went in. Being unable to swim he was drowned before he could reach him. His body was recovered in a short while after he fell in.—*Macon Telegraph.*

### Northern and Southern Democrats.

The New York Tribune says: "The only bond of sympathy between Northern and Southern Democrats has been that growing out of mutual hostility to the party which has sustained carpet-bag Government and pursued the policy of Federal interference and military rule. These obstacles to a good understanding with the party in control of the General Government being removed, there remains no ground of alliance between the Conservative party of the South and Northern Democracy."

The bond of sympathy between Northern and Southern Democrats is their mutual and uncompromising hostility to the principles and practices of the republican party. That hostility is quite as strong in 1877 as it was in 1856, and is not likely to undergo any material diminution. The Southern Democrats thoroughly understand the "true inwardness" of the policy which the administration is endeavoring to inaugurate. That policy is not the result of any genuine change of heart on the part of the Republican leaders, but it is the result of that change of popular sentiment which elected Tilden to the Presidency.

The Republican party is in a minority. It has been condemned at the polls, and its defacto President is now striving to atone for the rotteness of his title by shaping his course in harmony with the views and voice of the majority. The pressure brought to bear upon him is a Democratic, not a Republican pressure, and he relies upon Democratic support for success in his difficult undertaking.

When Southern Dem's forget the war which the Republican party has wedged on them and theirs for twenty years past, then—and not before—will they abandon their Northern allies and affiliate with their enemies.—*St. Louis Republican.*

### Proposed Amendment.

Since proposed amendments to the laws of our land are now in order, we respectfully suggest due consideration in behalf of the following excellent idea which we clip from an exchange—Ex.

"It is one of the consequences of the loss of a high standard of public morals, that crimes have lost their names as well as their punishment. The advocate who appropriates his client's property or misappropriates funds committed to his care, is now said to be guilty of a breach of trust, and courts have been found willing to view such crimes more leniently than that of the pauper who steals a loaf for his subsistence. Legislation is needed to make the willful appropriation or misapplication of property by attorneys, executors, trustees, and all persons occupying judicial positions, criminal offence, punishable by imprisonment in the State prison. It is a notorious fact that the American can be cheated with impunity, without making any effort to obtain redress, while his English cousin will enforce the least violation of his rights with the utmost rigor."

The Southern Watchman of the 17th, says: "We learn from the Atlanta Constitution that this Road would be delivered to the purchasers on Monday of this week, who have organized themselves into three corporations to be consolidated, and known hereafter as the Atlanta & Charlotte Air-Line Railroad Company. Mr. H. W. Sibley, of New York, a man of large financial experience has been chosen President.

Mr. G. J. Forester, gentleman of great experience and energy, and formerly General Manager of the Virginia Midland railroad, and for several years the efficient Superintendent of the Atlanta division of the Central railroad, has been appointed General manager of the Air-Line. A large amount of new rolling stock has been added, the entire track is said to be in splendid condition, and with its present able management, backed by an immense capital, the road is sure to be successful in the future.

Women are getting their rights at last. The Legislature of Minnesota has just passed a bill authorizing women to practice law in all the courts of that State.

### Concealed Weapons.

Judge Crawford, says the Butler (Georgia) Herald, in his charge to the grand jury, relative to the statute forbidding the carrying of concealed weapons, remarked:

"It is your duty to diligently inquire into and true presents make of every violation of this important statute. Since I have had the honor to preside over this circuit, I have, at every court I have held, given this statute special in charge, and I have never given it but what there were a dozen persons in the courtroom with concealed weapons on their persons, and yet it is a rare occurrence for any one to be indicted for this plain violation of law."

We wish every judge in the State would take special cognizance of this matter as conscientiously as Judge Crawford has done, and see to it that this statute is enforced, and the majesty of the law vindicated, without regard to person.

The constant and general violation of this statute is a very grave evil, that must be remedied if it is desirable for us justly to lay claim to the title of a civilized, Christian community. For crowds of men to walk about our streets, and to stand in the very halls of Justice, secretly armed with deadly weapons, presupposes the existence of a condition of society whi-h "Sitting Bull" might be a fitting representative, and which would cause a feeling of fraternity in the breasts of Italian banditti. It is wrong, it is an insult to respectable citizens, and a blot upon the good name of the State. It must not be tolerated.—*Georgia Grange.*

The Withdrawal of the Troops.

The following correspondence explains itself:  
THE PRESIDENT TO THE SECRETARY.  
EXECUTIVE MANSION, April 20.

Sir:—Prior to my entering upon the duties of the presidency, there had been stationed by order of my predecessor, in the immediate vicinity of the building used as a state house in New Orleans, Louisiana, and known as the Mechanics Institute, a detachment of United States infantry. Funding them in that place, I have thought proper to delay a decision of the question of their removal until I could determine whether the conditions is now such, as to either require or justify the continued military intervention of the national government in the affairs of the state. In my opinion there does not now exist in Louisiana such domestic violence as is contemplated by the constitution, as the ground upon which the military power of the national government may be invoked for the defence of the state. The disputes which exist, as to the right of certain claimants to the executive office of that state are to be settled and determined, not by the executive of the United States, but by such orderly and peaceable methods as may be provided by the constitution and laws of the state. Having the assurance that no resort to violence is contemplated, but that, on the contrary, the disputes in question are to be settled by peaceful methods, under and in accordance with law, I deem it proper to take action in accordance with the principles announced when I entered upon the duties of the presidency. You are therefore directed to see that the proper orders are issued for the removal of said troops at an early date from their position to such regular barracks in the vicinity, as may be selected for their occupation.

R. B. HAYES,  
To Hon. Geo. W. McCrary, Secretary of War.  
THE SECRETARY TO THE GENERAL.  
WAR DEPARTMENT,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.

Gen. Wm. T. Sherman—General—  
I have the honor to inclose herewith a copy of a communication from the president of the United States, in which he directs that the detachment of United States troops now stationed in the vicinity of the mechanic's institute, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, be withdrawn to such convenient barracks as may be selected for their occupation. You are hereby charged with the execution of this order and will cause the withdrawal to take place on Tuesday next, the twenty-fourth of April, at 12 o'clock, midday. Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

Geo. W. McARTHUR,  
Secretary of War.

### Our Florida Letter.

OAK HILL, VOLUSIA CO., FLA., April 11th, 1877.  
Editor Signal & Advertiser;

You did well in locally referring to my former letter not to say "from our regular correspondent," as do some of the papers, (perhaps to make it appear they have a heavy corps of writers at home and abroad) for in instance I feel it would have been found a regular correspondent. However, an occasional letter, even of uncertain interval, from a section so favored by nature, and in which there is such a lively general interest taken, may not be uninteresting to many of your readers. In fact, I may as well confess it, you furnish me a much more gratifying medium for answering general questions, than by individual or direct correspondence, for if I attempted this, my hopes and aspirations for the future world pass into thin vapor, and I would find myself at the end as at the beginning, still but an improvised scribbler. The questions asked have been of a general character, and in answering them in such a manner, there will be given some of the more prominent, as well as profitable, features of the settling of this section of Florida, and perhaps the whole State as well.

It is a very common query: "Why is it, that Florida, with her natural advantages and delightful climate, that are claimed for her, has been so far behind in her developments?" And is not the picture overdrawn, the handsome incomes from orange groves, bananas, pineapple, sugar cane, tobacco fields, &c., more a myth than a reality? And from some of our mountain friends we have not the query, but the flat assertion, "I know it is not healthy, it can't be in that hot, hot country." This is a preconceived idea that is by no means confined to that section of Georgia (where healthfulness could not for a moment be doubted,) but is, and has always been shared by those living in a colder latitude. This instinctive dread of sickness conjures up the ghosts of fevers, malarial, ague, cholera, etc., at the bare mention of the tropical or semi-tropical climates, and has been arrived when the troops could safely be withdrawn from the mountains. The president, however, had long ago determined to take such action whenever it should be thought wise and discreet to do, so that the happy event occurred to day instead of hereafter is attributable to the labors of the commission. "All's well that ends well." God and liberty!

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So much; concisely, in answer to the first question.

As to the incomes from fruits and crops, I would say I have no reason to doubt any of the figures I have seen, but it is well enough perhaps to remind the reader that published statements and figures are almost invariably taken from the cream of the subject. To illustrate: Because you see an extraordinary display of fruits and vegetables on Mr. A's table at the fair do not conclude that all his crop is like this. He has picked the finest, nicest, best for this display, and it is most likely in all statements made in the interest of those making them, and should be regarded with that degree of allowance that will insure an equipoise.

So far as my observation extends, every new settler is so intent on his future, that his present style of living doesn't seem to concern him much. His clearing is the first thing in order after a temporary house, then the planting of wild orange stocks for budding, sweet orange seed, bananas, pine apples, lemons, citron, &c., next fencing for garden the deer and hogs do not trouble the fruit trees, and when he sees all growing he begins to feel as if he was commencing to live and talk of adding to his house, but he doesn't say he will give it out by contract. He wants to do the most of it himself. This is the primitive way of doing by the more recent settlers, Those who have become established

are quite liberal, and the spirit of improvement seems in the nerve of every arm, and pocket too. It is more noticeable in the new towns up the Halifax river; Halifax City, Port Orange, Daytona and New Britain, no one of which is over six miles from another.

I have said before that we were well pleased, both Mr. B. and myself, with the country, climate, soil and surroundings, but I do not wish to be understood as saying that every one would be, for it must be remembered that tastes are too dissimilar to venture so broad an assertion.

As to the lands, there are government, State and private to be had.

The first by homestead by paying entry fees and surveyors' charges, \$14.00 entry for 160 acres, and survey about \$10.00. The second is for sale at \$75cts. to \$5.00 per acre, according to quality, and the third at prices considerably varied. The settler must live on his homestead five years and improve it, before the government gives absolute deed. The State gives bona fide deed at time of purchase. The most desirable are nearly all taken, though there are an abundance yet not taken a few miles back from the rivers.

Yours truly,

ERISON.

Washington, April 20.—It is claimed in high quarters that the Louisiana commission has done its work more speedily and satisfactorily than was expected. Last night they telegraphed the president that after a careful examination of the condition of political affairs, they have come to the conclusion that the time had arrived when the troops could safely be withdrawn from New Orleans. The president, however, had long ago determined to take such action whenever it should be thought wise and discreet to do, so that the happy event occurred to day instead of hereafter is attributable to the labors of the commission. "All's well that ends well." God and liberty!

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## Local News.

A cross mark on the margin of your paper denotes that you have it ex-  
clusively. If you are interested you  
are requested to pay up and renew  
your subscription immediately.

**Rev. J. W. Brown, of Pleasant  
Retreat, is authorized to receive and  
receipt for subscription to THE  
SIGNAL ADVERTISER,**

Cot. Price returned from Atlanta  
on Monday evening last.

Look out for J. W. & W. A.  
Burnside's advertisement next week.

The Rev. Jess Boring, we are in-  
formed, will preach on the first Sun-  
day in May, at this place.

Call around and get some of that  
nice dried fruit of H. D. Gurley &  
Bro., before it is all gone.

Mr. J. B. Thomas has about com-  
pleted the erection of his buildings,  
and he informs that he will begin  
to manufacture on or about the first.

We were unable this week to pub-  
lish any of Thursday's Memorial  
Day—proceedings. A complete ac-  
count will be published in our next  
issue.

Aleck Clark, colored, whom it will  
be remembered, we mentioned as being  
confined in the jail at this place,  
was carried to Putnam by the Sheriff  
of that county, a few days ago.

On Wednesday of last week the  
Superior Court of Dawson county  
adjourned. The docket was small  
as usual. There is not a drop of  
whiskey sold in the county, and this  
accounts in a great measure for no  
body going to the chain gang.

**SORE NOSES, Catfish, Sore  
Throat, a sure cure is Dr. J. H.  
McLean's Catarrh Snuff. It is a new  
antiseptic principle, never fails  
Trial boxes, by mail. Dr. J. H.  
McLean, 314 Chestnut, St. Louis,  
Mo.**

It is rumored that Dahlonega will  
soon be honored by the presence of  
several Northern capitalists, among  
them, the Hon. Abram S. Hewitt,  
Chairman of the National Democ-  
racy. Mr. Besser should make the  
old Eagle spread her wings and  
show her finest feathers.

Ross Henderson, the colored  
child-murderer, confined in the jail  
at this place, awaiting removal to  
the penitentiary, laid aside her ob-  
stinate spirit one morning last week,  
and made a clean breast of the whole  
affair, acknowledging that she cut  
the child's throat and threw it in the  
ditch.

Lew's Meaders is already prepar-  
ing for the convenient and comfort-  
able transportation of passengers  
over his splendidly equipped line.  
He will soon have running a bands  
some new track. He is being put up  
by an experienced workman, and  
will when finished, reflect credit upon  
the builder and Lewis' popular line.

On Monday evening, 7th of May, the  
young ladies of the "Corona  
Hedera Society," will give their annual  
literary entertainment. All  
are invited to attend. The following  
evening, 8th of May, will be given  
an entertainment (by the same So-  
ciety), consisting of tableaux, scenes,  
&c., for the purpose of placing a  
marble slab on the grave of Miss  
Julia Wills. Admission 50 cts.  
Children under fourteen years of  
age 25 cts.

There is only a limited supply of  
that nice dried fruit on hand at H.  
D. Gurley & Bro. Call around be-  
fore it is exhausted.

Our former young townsmen, Geo-  
B. Neal, Esq., left our town for  
Morgan, Ga., on last Wednesday  
morning, where he proposes to pur-  
sue the practice of law. Mr. Neal  
was admitted to the bar at our last  
court after a most rigid examination.  
He was highly complimented by the  
presiding Judge and other members  
of the bar, for his profound acquaint-  
ance with the intricacies of law. We  
congratulate the go people of Fan-  
ny county that Mr. Neal has con-  
cluded to cast his lot among them,  
and hope they will show him a just  
appreciation of his talents by helping  
him to help himself. It is with un-  
feigned pleasure we refer our read-  
ers to his card, which appears in this  
issue of our paper.

## The Mountains.

A writer, in speaking of the hills  
of Dahlonega, says: "I have trav-  
eled East and West, North and  
South, but to stand upon the foot  
hills of the Blue Ridge near Dahl-  
onega, and watch the setting sun  
as it casts its lingering beams along  
the foot of those lofty mountains,  
throwing a mellow hue upon the at-  
mosphere which stands out in bold  
relief of those dark blue links as they  
rise and fall in the distance, while  
here and there millions of varia-  
tions seem to play along and above  
the tops of those lofty mountains, it  
is a scene worthy to inspire any one  
with pride for this beautiful chain  
which seems to hold Georgia in  
strong embrace upon the North and  
East."

Our people can but congratulate  
themselves over the improvement that  
has been made in the condition of our  
streets, and they need not ask what  
goes with their street tax. It is ob-  
vious that this fund has been ex-  
pended in a proper direction. Price  
and College streets is an honor to  
our citizens, and speaks well for our  
little village, and the good work is  
being vigorously pursued ahead by  
our efficient Marshal. This fact  
should make all persons liable to  
street duty, prompt in paying their  
street tax. Nothing speaks better  
for a town than well worked streets.  
So when visitors come to our towns  
in search of health let them  
have ought to say against the con-  
dition of our streets.

We find 'The Ladies of the White  
House' in Frank Leslie's Popular  
Monthly for April, succeeded in the  
May number by "The Presidents at  
Home," by Benson J. Lossing, LL.  
D. The article is illustrated with  
17 fine engravings, showing places of  
interest in the history of our Presi-  
dents from Washington down. The  
Number is replete with choice  
literature, embracing short stories,  
incidents of travel, anecdotes, poe-  
try, art, science, etc. It has some  
10 illustrations among its 100 pages;  
concerning Benjamin Franklin, San-  
tiago de Cuba, Elephant Kapping in  
Ceylon, Charcoal-burning, etc., etc.

It is indeed up to its best standard,  
and well worth its price—\$2.50 for  
one year. Send to Frank Leslie,  
537 Pearl Street, New York.

Hall's Vegetable-Sidolian Hair Re-  
newer has for many years occupied  
an honorable place in the list of  
American women, and has also at-  
tained popularity in foreign coun-  
tries. This is because it does not  
romp what it purifies. Its warmest  
friends are those who have used it  
longest, and those who sound its  
pride the loudest are those who  
from actual experience and persua-  
sion have demonstrated that by  
using gray hair is restored to its  
natural color and dry, harsh, and wiry  
hair is made soft and lustreous,  
a thing of beauty, and a matter of joy  
and pride to the wearer.—*Sub-Sid-  
er and Democrat, Corinth, Miss.*

We are requested to state that  
Mr. R. B. Adair, a first-class dentist  
of Gadsden, will visit Dahlonega  
in two or three weeks for the pur-  
pose of practicing dentistry. He will  
be prepared to do any and all kinds  
of work, perform any operations  
pertaining to his profession, or treat  
any diseases of the teeth or mouth.

His office will be located during his  
stay in this place at the Edge Hotel,  
or some private boarding house  
where the ladies can visit him  
when done and enjoy the privacy  
and comforts of home. Mr. Adair  
will inform the public through the  
columns of the SICIAL & ADVER-  
TISER when he will be here and where  
his office can be found.

We call especial attention to the  
advertisement of Mr. Frank V.  
Moose, agent for Moose's Saw Mill,  
situated eight miles North of Dahl-  
onega. He offers extraordinary  
documents to parties who con-  
sider building to buy their lumber  
or timber. As a general rule our citi-  
zens are compelled to wade up  
some of the mills from one to three  
months after they have had a bill for  
him before the same is filled, but  
now, Mr. Moose announces that this  
unnecessary delay can be avoided by  
sending orders to him when they  
will receive prompt attention.

## Y. M. C. A.

The exercises of the State Con-  
vention of the Young Men's Chris-  
tian Association at Newnan, closed  
Sunday night, 22d inst. The services  
were throughout marked with  
religious power. The universal con-  
clusion of those who watched the  
workings of the Convention is, that  
the Young Men's Christian Associa-  
tion is doing a work which can-  
not otherwise be done. The relation  
of the Association to the church was  
distinctly brought out, and the  
fact that the object of the former  
was not to supersede but to assist,  
the latter was repeatedly dwelt upon.

Between forty and fifty delegates  
from all parts of the State were pres-  
ent. Reports were given in by writ-  
ing, or in the person of its dele-  
gate, from each Association in the  
State. A full and interesting rep-  
ort was made of the work of the Dahl-  
onega Association by J. E. Neal.  
He stated that the work was being  
carried on against great obstacles,  
the chief one being the want of in-  
terest on the part of the young men  
of the place; but that, of late, the  
work seemed to be increasing in in-  
terest and results.

Open air meetings were held at 5  
p.m., in the Court yard. Bar rooms  
and stores were closed, and almost  
the entire city of Newnan turned  
out to them. The effect was mark-  
ed. Men who never ent red the  
churches were present and heard  
and felt the gospel as it was pro-  
claimed. Sunday night the last service  
was held in the Baptist church, which  
was crowded to overflowing. The  
services consisted of singing from  
the "Gospel Songs," brief fervent  
address and prayers by the young  
and apt quotations from Scripture.  
Towards the close of the exercises,  
in all of which the Holy Ghost was  
strangely and powerfully present,  
over a hundred unconvened pe ple  
presented themselves for prayer, for  
the welfare of our country, for the  
success of our cause, and for the  
success of our efforts.

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Commissioner of Agriculture,  
THOMAS P. JAMES,  
P. S.—Persons in Georgia are re-  
spectfully requested to copy this cir-  
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"Will our exchanges in old States,  
such as Dallas (Texas) paper, warn  
their young men not to come to Tex-  
as in search of employment—unless  
they want employment on the farm.  
There is plenty of work on Tex-  
as farms to be had, but unless a  
man desires to labor on a farm, he  
had better give Texas a wide birth."

Those who start for Texas under  
the impression that they can earn a  
good living and get rich without  
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